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CLEAN-UP SALE

At J. V. Berscht's, Didsbury

We have decided to give the public another opportunity to get goods at their own price on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1,

at 1 o'clock, and evening at 7:30

We have finished taking stock and find it still too large. The lines we will put on sale consist of

Mens and boys suits, overcoats and odd trousers Sheep-lined coats Overcoats, warm lined, fur collars Mackinaw jackets Odd vests Fur overcoats Smoking jackets Sweaters Working shirts Toques Wool and fleece underwear 20 doz. grey Sox Mens suspenders Mitts Gloves Cashmere Sox Wool and silk mufflers Felt slippers Wool mitts and gloves Felt shoes, felt soles and heels Tams in red, blue, green and brown shades

JEWELRY—17 jewel coin case watches 10 jewel nickel case watches Gold filled hunting case watches Gold cuff links Collar buttons Watch chains Ladies brooches Cuff buttons Cuff holders

to do. Men's fine negligee shirts will be offered in the evening

This will be our last sale for this season at which we offer you goods at your own price—they are going regardless of cost. We invite you to attend.

G. B. Sexsmith, Auctioneer J. V. Berscht, Prop.

JANUARY SALE

OF
FUR COATS, SHEEP LINED COATS MEN'S
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See Price Cards on the Above

25 Per Cent off on the following:

Mens and Boys Pants and Suits, Fur Caps, Cloth Caps, Sox, Heavy Shirts, Oil Tanned Moccasins, Men's and Boy's Heavy Rubbers, Heavy Dress Goods and Winter Goods

250 Yards Assorted Patterns Flannelette. Regular 10c. per yard now 4 yds. for 25c.

GEO. PETERS

BILL BAILEY'S January Gift Sale

In appreciation of your liberal patronage during the past year, the following presents will be given as below:

With 1.00 purchase, China value	15 to	25
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" 20.00 " " "	5.00 "	7.50 "
" 30.00 " " "	7.00 "	10.00 "
" 50.00 " " "	10.00 "	18.00 "

The presents are on view at my store and include my stock of and painted china, Berry Bowls, Salad Dishes, Chocolate Sets, Water Pitchers, Tea Pots, Jardiniere, Toilet Sets, Dinner and Tea Sets, Glassware, Fancy Stationery, Etc.

This gift sale will continue until Feb. 9th.

Don't forget—come at once if you want anything.

Large shipment of APPLES in---No. 1 stock.

Announcement

We wish to announce that, beginning on February 1st, we will publish the Pioneer on Wednesday night so that the paper can be mailed to our eastern Alberta subscribers on Thursday morning. This will allow our large list of subscribers in the eastern district to receive the paper the same week as published. Heretofore it has not reached them until the following week. We request all correspondents and advertisers to govern themselves accordingly. All changes for advertisements must be in this office not later than Tuesday noon of each week. Correspondents are requested to send in copy as early as possible in the beginning of the week.

H. E. OSMOND, Editor.

AROUND THE TOWN

FOR SALE—Forty head cattle. Apply to Mrs. Newsom, Didsbury.

J. Hart has moved into the house formerly occupied by J. W. Jackson.

GIRL WANTED—Girl wanted as second cook at the Golden West Hotel.—Apply to C. McCallum.

Mr. V. D. Haug has removed his family to Didsbury from Calgary and intends making this town his home for the future.

LOST—A pair of spectacles, case marked Taube & Son. Finder will receive reward of \$5.00, according to Province Office.

FOUND—A pair of new rubbers near the station. Owner can have same by proving identity, and applying to D. G. Moyer, Didsbury.

Joe. Hart has sold his residence and blacksmith shop to E. Harbottle, who has a reputation of being a blacksmith of high merit. J. A. Findlay was the agent who put the transaction through.

I get cash buyers for all good horses—tell me what you have—horses for sale at all times—I want several good hack teams and 6 good single drivers. V. D. Haug, Alberta Stables.

The Convention of music school will be held in the Evangelical Church on Thursday evening, February 4th, at 7:30 p.m. This will be an enjoyable evening and everybody is invited to attend. No Charge for admission.

The Canadian Order of Foresters will not meet on Wednesday night next on account of the Masquerade Ball. The regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 17th. All members are requested to remember this date.—H. E. Osmond, C. R.

The Didsbury Culvert Co. have just completed a 30-in. 30-foot well curb for P. G. Johnston. This company are giving great satisfaction in both their culverts and curbing and prospects are promising for a heavy spring trade.

The Peerless Incubators and Brooders sold under a written guarantee. 2 years time given. Top price for your birds when fit for market. See W. G. Hunter at the Alberta Pacific Elevator and get ready for the spring work.

Wm. D. Candlish portrait photographer, who has opened a Studio in Didsbury and Carstairs has taken general and business house views in Didsbury, also photos of school house and pupils which can be procured at Leigh S. Curtis' fruit and confectionery store. The Studio over furniture store is open every Monday for artistic portrait work and family groups.

WANTED—About 50 bus. good potatoes, Apply to C. McCallum, Golden West Hotel.

Rev. Mr. Brown of Airside will conduct services in the Presbyterian church on Thursday evening.

HOUSE TO RENT over harness stores. For particulars apply to E. B. Shantz, or write R. J. Hutchings, Calgary.

TO-NIGHT.—Dr. McRae of the Western Canada College, Calgary, will give a lecture in the Presbyterian church to-night at 8 o'clock. Subject: "Germany and its People." Admission 25c; children under 12, 10c.

A fast game of hockey is looked for on Wednesday afternoon next when the Didsbury team will play the Lacombe club on the home ice. Everybody should make a special effort to see this game as it is the last of the league series in Didsbury.

W. Piper of Three Hills had a narrow escape from a serious accident last week. His horses started to run away and he jumped out of the wagon to try and stop them when one of the wheels passed over his foot. Luckily no bones were broken but the foot was badly bruised.

Invitations have been issued for a masquerade ball in aid of the Didsbury Hockey Club on Wednesday, night next. It is hoped that the masquerade will be as big a success as the one held last winter, when the Opera House was packed to the doors. The Lacombe hockey team have been invited to attend.

The Didsbury school hockey team went to the Waterloo settlement on Saturday afternoon and played a game of hockey with the Waterloo school team. The score was 6-7 in favor of the Didsbury team. Ross Shantz was the captain of the Didsbury team and Herb. Shantz Waterloo.

There will be a series of revival services at the Baptist Church, Didsbury, commencing on Monday night and lasting till the end of the week. The Rev. Mr. Patterson of the Baptist Church Calgary will preach on Tuesday and the Rev. Mr. Gunn of Calgary, on Thursday and Friday nights. Services commence at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

J. E. Liesemer has now taken over the McOrnack machine agency and also the agency for the Emors-on plow. Mr. Liesemer will carry a full line of agricultural implements, and will sell you anything from a wheel barrow to an up-to-date auto. Joe Roy is assisting Mr. Liesemer to look after the business and those who wish to purchase new farm implements this spring will do well to give Mr. Liesemer a call, he is located at north end of town, opposite the lumber yard.

BIRTHS

FERGUSON—On Monday, December 21st, at 11:45 a.m., Elizabeth, to Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Ferguson a son.

TENDERS WANTED

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for 48 head of steers or heifers under three years of age for beef tending. Bidders must not be in calf. All cattle must be first-class; weight 375 pounds standard. Two head to be delivered each week at least ring slaughter house. Tenders will be received up to and including Saturday, February 13th. For further particulars apply to E. C. SAYLER, Didsbury, Alta.

NOTICE

Owing to the increasing demand for good outdoor photographs I have equipped myself with the latest and best photographic outfit obtainable. Suffice it to say that the lens I use in my outfit is recognized as the best the world over and yields the best between Calgary and Edmonton. It is particularly adapted for ordinary rooms, landscape and general work. It is also indispensable for rapid instantaneous work, only requiring 1/100 of a second exposure. All orders will receive my personal care and money back if not satisfactory. Prices moderate. Orders taken at Chambers drug store.—E. N. YOUNG

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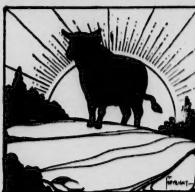
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In the Morning

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more will be at the rate of \$1.50 per year.
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H. E. OSMOND, EDITOR.

Coyote Bounties

Farmers throughout the province
have learned with gratification that
this year again a liberal appropriation
is to be made by the Government for
the payment of Coyote bounties, to
encourage the destruction of these
pests of the farm yard.

The payment began on January 15,
and will be made on all skins taken
after January 1st of the current year.
When the estimates come down to the
Legislature ample provision will be
made to meet the necessary expendi-
ture.

No one but the farmer or stock-
raiser in Alberta can appreciate the
benefits accruing from the bounty
on Coyotes, which like that on timber-
wolves is one of the strongest aids to
procuring the extermination of these
animals.

Although in the past three years the
population of Alberta has sprung from
180,000 people to 330,000, the prov-
ince is still, because of its vast extent
very thinly settled, and the coyote
breeds in abundance throughout the
country.

Searching for food they haunt the
pasture-lands and sheep folds of the
province, frequently creating great
havoc there notwithstanding the vigil-
ance of the farmer. On some stock-
raising sections there is a similar hard-
ship, especially from the depredations
of timber-wolves.

Rev. J. R. Matheson of Union Lake
stated during a recent visit to Edmon-
ton that, thanks to the generous ap-
propriation for bounties last year, they
were able to raise sheep successfully
for the first time in fourteen years.
Formerly the coyotes carried off all the
lambs. In 1908 while the bounty-
money lasted men and boys who were
able to shoot spent days in search of
coyotes and for the time about cleared
the districts of them.

The bounty appropriation of \$20,000
in 1908 was exhausted by the large
number of claims for payment made
up to April 30, for the St. Louis-
tony with the sale price of the skins
proved a strong incentive to trappers
and hunters in every section.

The bounty was further extended to
all animals killed up to April 21st, by
which time \$6,701 additional was ex-
pended. Many farmers newly settled
in Alberta are not sufficiently expert
with their guns to bring down the wily
coyote, and others who are skilful
hunters can not spare the time. For
these it is a direct benefit that the man
who can trap and hunt shall be en-
couraged by the bounty to make a
thorough going business of destroying
the coyote or timber-wolf.

The bounties are as follows:—\$10
per head on timber-wolves; \$1 per
head on wolf-pups, and \$1 per head
on coyote or prairie-wolves. To secure
the bounty it is necessary that the pelt
and scalp of each wolf or coyote be
produced intact by the claimant before
the local inspector, who then splits
both ears of the scalp from tip to base.
(Continued next week.)

Alberta Legislative Items

The bill for the protection of children
came up for its second reading of dis-
cussion on Thursday, January 28th.

The Provincial Secretary's report
for 1908 shows the incorporation of
branches of 43 foreign companies with
a capitalization of \$31,312,000 and of
137 Provincial companies with an ag-
gregate capitalization of \$1,917,950.
The receipts of this Department from
license and fees amounted to \$23,949.

A larger number of deputations than
usual have approached the Premier
and his colleagues to lay their needs
before the attention of the Executive.
The wholesalers and jobbers of the
Province sent a delegation to press
the introduction of a Bulk Sales Act
for their protection against dishonest
retailers; The Public hospitals in the

Look! Look!

JUST ARRIVED

NEW SHIPMENT OF COLD BLAST LANTERNS

To Be Sold at

75c. EACH

WHILE THEY LAST

W. H. Smith & Co.

province sent in a request for a grant
of 50 cents for all patients in their hos-
pitals instead of 50 cents for non-paying
and 25 for paying as at present.

The United Farmers sent a dele-
gation to the Premier asking for assist-
ance towards the establishment of a
pork-yacking plant and an amendment
to the school ordinance to allow the
erection of school districts in prescribed
areas, where less than 12 children re-
side.

Mr. McKenzie of Macleod, speaking
to the motion to reply to the speech
from the Throne, declared that he had
not intended to occupy the time of the
House, but that after hearing the Pre-
mier's reference to the opposition's so
called solution of the railway question,
that is, the building of a single line to
the north, had feared the Government
might accept that as the solution the
South desired. He begged to say it
is not. Fact is, to do justice, that was
last year's policy of Mr. Robertson's,
but the gentleman knows the south
would not be satisfied with such a solu-
tion now. Mr. McKenzie declared he
had spent the past two months studying
the needs of the south to enable him-
self to be of service to the government
and also to be able to show the build-
ers of roads that there is business in
the south. Such an attitude is the cor-
rect one. Let every one in Alberta
follow the example and convey to the
government what information he may
have.

PLAYING HAVOC WITH PATENT MEDICINES

An Old-fashioned, Home-Made Mix-
ture which Cures Kidney and
Liver Troubles.

A prominent local druggist states
that since the celebrated prescription
of a distinguished specialist has
become more or less known it is in-
terfering with the sale of secret
medicines. The prescription, which
first appeared in a leading health
journal, is reproduced here, just ex-
actly as originally written: Fluid
Extract Cassia, 1/2 oz.; Fluid Ex-
tract Carriana Compound, 1 oz.;
Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, 6 oz.
Directions: One teaspoonful after
each meal and at bedtime.

Any good druggist can dispense
this, or, even better, a person can
buy the items separately and mix
them at home by shaking them well
together in a bottle. It is stated
that the ingredients being vegetable,
are harmless and simple. It has a
gentle and natural action, and gradu-
ally tones up the eliminative tissues,
leaving the kidneys in a perfectly
healthy condition.

A merchant well known in public
affairs states that this recipe cured
his rheumatism. Save the prescrip-
tion.

ESTRAY

Two steers; one black and one blue team,
both milking, about 4 years old; hauled on
left ribs a quarter circle over and either S or
N, on the premises of W. R. Coates, Sec. 6-
31-28, W. 4.

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ESTRAY

On the premises of E. B. Shanta, N.W. 1/4
Sec. 30-T-31-R-1, W. 4, 1 yearling heifer,
white; 1 2-year old spotted red and white steer;
1 2-year old light red steer; 1 3-year old steer,
light red, white on tail and few white spots,
clipped; 1 red cow, 4-year old, with calf at
foot, brand appears as bar over 95 on right
hip; 1 red calf with white face and legs.

ESTRAY

Estay in herd of R. A. McKay, Three
Hills, one white and roan cow branded PV
on left ribs with calf at foot.

TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to state that I will be ready
to saw and plane all custom work for
thirty days at the old stand, of James
& Otterburne, 16 miles straight west of
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LUMBER PERMITS

Anybody wishing their lumber permits
taken out or saved can have same done at \$1
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\$8.00 Per 1000 at Yard

**GASOLINE ENGINE, JACK
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Also Well Digging Outfit
Complete.

Apply J. O. WILLIAMS
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HUNTERS THREE



ON the nursery wall, with colors gay,
Three little hunters in gorgeous array
Were painted for Littleboy:
Dapper and neat in their hunting suits,
With crops in hand and with hunting boots,
They smiled on Littleboy.

One day he looked in great surprise—
Did Littleboy—and he rubbed his eyes.

For a hunter had actually winked!
"We're going, my lad, to the hunt this night;
Be sure not to miss such a thrilling sight,"
Said the hunter who merrily winked.

True to the word of the one with the wink,
The hunters DID drop from the wall, and slink
Out the window at dark;
And as Littleboy gazed, away they flew.

On wee, paint! 'Horses dappled with blue,
And were lost in the park.

The hounds sounded, the hounds gave tongue,
And to Reynard's trail the hunters clung.

As he sped quick away:
Yet at morn, when Littleboy looked at the wall,
It appeared the hunters had moved not at all—
They seemed painted to stay!

The Witches Gift

BILLY's heels drummed vigorously upon the low box on which he sat, the while staring thoughtfully at the Jones. He was too busy shelling corn to observe his friend's intent look, but, as though in answer to Billy's unspoken question, he finally said:
"I really don't know what us 'Bloody Robbers' 'll do tomorrow in the way of Hollowe'en stunts. Seems to me we've tackled 'bout everything, and we ought to do something that'd surprise people—something entirely new."

"The best way to surprise people would be to have one of our tricks," replied Billy. "Why, it's a fact that old Mother Jones is so afraid of our cutting up a racket 'round her place that she's gone out of town on a visit."

Laborers and men employed about the railroad were tempted, too.

Billy and Ike were gratified to see, late in the afternoon of the following day, that a great heap of corn now lay underneath the sauceman. Truly, the target had drawn many shots.

Just before the success of their plan, they decided to help Mother Jones still more. As was customary on this day, vegetables disappeared in considerable quantities from the farms in the outlying country. But this night, instead of serving the usual purpose of ammunition for battering against doors and windpanes, the choicest of the vegetables were stowed away in an old basket and placed upon Mother Jones' doorstep.



WHEN THE OLD WOMAN CAME HOME

She laughed. "Well, mites her lots, too," said he. "Member how she came out and scolded us last year when we threw corn at her sliders? But I say, it's really a shame to treat the old woman like we do. She's as poor as a mouse, you know, an' has an awful hard time to get along; and I guess that's what makes her so cross and crabby."

"Why can't we do something to help the old soul?" was Billy's query.

They were kept in thought for several moments. Suddenly Billy leaped to his feet, and, followed by the, dashed from the corner, shouting:
"I've got it! I know of a dandy thing to do!"

Miner Jones' home was a tumble-down cottage which stood not far from a railroad siding, where there was a great deal of shifting of freight and coal cars. To this place Billy and his chum repaired. When he satisfied himself that the old woman had gone he nailed an old rusty sawsaw to the side of the cottage. Then he and Ike climbed up the bank to the railroad tracks, where they picked up pieces of coal and proceeded to use the sauceman as a target.

Soon other "fellows" came along. They also indulged in the sport, deeming it great fun to try their marksmanship.

When the old woman came home the next day she could hardly believe her eyes. She had hoped against hope that "those wicked lumps of youngsters" would not do a great deal of harm. And here they had done her a really great service! Years stood in her eyes as she inspected the gifts made her, and ever afterward no member of the "Bloody Robbers" passed by without receiving a cordial greeting from her.

Of course, the boys were greatly pleased, although they pretended to think it a matter of little consequence, just to hide his real feelings, like remarked.

"We're makin' so many friends among our old enemies that after while we'll have nobody at all to plague an' tease."

Had a Cowcatcher.
While at the park Ike had been given a ride on the elephant.
"Oh, mother!" she exclaimed upon her return home. "I rode on the animal, but has a cowcatcher on in front."

Still Warm.
After watching a turkey gobbler for some minutes, Tommy exclaimed:
"Look, mother, the old gobbler has had his fan up for half an hour, and his face looks just as red as ever!"

Cured by a Donkey

A CERTAIN man who lived in a town of Italy was dangerously ill. As time wore on and the many celebrated physicians who were called in failed to cure him, the man became greatly discouraged.

"I shall die, I am sure of it," said he, constantly moaning, ever thinking about his misfortune.

One day the physician in attendance halted his splendidly groomed mule in the courtyard, suitably dismounted, and with great dignity made his way slowly upstairs to where the invalid lay. A famous doctor was he—one of the most noted in the land. And he had the greatest of confidence in his own wisdom.

Perhaps association with such a master had given the mule confidence, also a will of his own. Becoming weary of standing in the warm sun, the animal calmly walked through the doorway and made his way up the flight of steps. Following the course taken by his master, he finally gained entrance to the door of the sick man. Right into the room he walked, up to the bed of the man, and there, standing head to the physician, he assumed such a wise look as could not have been surpassed by the doctor himself.

One moment the astonished patient gazed. Then, overcome with the humor of the situation, he burst into a loud

laugh. In fact, so great was his merriment that he roared. At last, having ceased because of sheer exhaustion, he stumped to the doorway.

"Most pained doctor, the donkey is a much better physician than thou, for he has done in one visit what thou hast been unable to accomplish. In three months. He has restored my spirits so that already I feel much better."

Indeed, such good effect had the donkey's call upon the ill man that he speedily recovered from his grave sickness. But as he paid the unusually large fee demanded by the physician, the man said to himself that it was the donkey, not the master, who deserved the money.

New Babies at the London Zoo



BABY CAMEL AND THE CARACAL CAT

"SO THIS is the new baby, is it?" asked Mr. Twittering Sparrow.

"Mrs. Caracal looked kindly upon the little cub, nodding beside her. Then her eyes gleamed wickedly as she glanced at the sparrow.

"You're thinking what a fine meal I would make, aren't you?" calmly observed the sparrow. "But I'm going to tell you that if you wait until you catch me you'll go a long time without eating. In fact, your baby will be full grown before that time."

"And what a fine fellow he will be!" cried Mrs. Caracal, forgetting her spite against the sparrow. "I can just see him now, with his long, slender limbs, beautifully tufted ears, and a tail maybe ten inches in length. I had bewitched you, you know. In Persia, where I was captured, they called me 'Sparrow,' the word meaning 'tufted ears.'"

And my coat then was much prettier than it is now. A delicate, rosy color it was, with white underneath, just as pretty as baby's here.

"Oh, baby will soon be grown. Then I hope he'll be able to hunt you, as my relatives and I hunted gazelles, hares and birds of all kinds in far-off India and Africa and Arabia. Why, I remember I would leap as high as six feet in the air to catch little creatures like you."

"What a bloodthirsty animal you are!" Mr. Twittering Sparrow laughed good-humoredly, as he continued:

"By the way, there's a new baby in the Zoo. And the mother came from near your native land."

"Who is she?" asked Mrs. Caracal, impatiently.

"Mrs. Camel," the sparrow replied. "The baby is a white little thing that

looks as though it would be as vicious and stupid as its mother, and that's saying a whole lot. Camels are the stupidest things that ever happened. The little camel has already been named Trebley. It has calico paws all over its chest and ankles and knees, so that it may kneel without discomfort.

"Mrs. Camel is as proud as a peacock because it's a white camel. You know, camels are white, gray, brown and black. The black ones are much despised by the Arabians. When the baby's grown he'll be ever so much bigger than your chick. Indeed, he ought to stand at least seven feet in height. And his mother is sure he'll have a splendid hump, though the hump depends altogether on the richness of the food. On the desert, during the dry season, when food is scarce, the hump shrinks until it almost disappears.

"The old lady talked so much about her baby that I grew tired. She told me that when a baby is born on the desert it is swung in a net upon the back of a full-grown camel. Then she began to brag about the value of her kind of camel, which is found in Africa, Persia and Arabia. She says that people utilize the milk, fish, hair and even the bones of the animals. But she's no better than the two-humped camel. And there's all stupid, as I said before.

"Good-bye! I'm off to chat with the elephant."

Mrs. Caracal followed the sparrow with her eyes as the cheerful little fellow flew away. And she told herself how much nicer her baby, little Trebley, was than the horrid little camel. Strange to say, Mrs. Camel was at that very moment thinking how much nicer her baby was than the other baby, which stands by as the picture shows, they're both very cunning.

Wilhelm of Prussia

ON THIS day of July 4, 1884, there was great excitement in the handsome marble palace of Potsdam, Germany. This was because a baby boy had just been born. He probably looked little different from thousands of other babies, although people were quick to say he much resembled Kaiser William. But this was natural, inasmuch as the tiny

stride his very first pony. Doubtless he rides as well as did his father, Crown Prince Frederick William, or his mother, Princess Cecilia, when they were little—and they rode exceedingly well.

Princes haven't an easy time of it, you know. When William was 4 years old he began the study of foreign languages; he had daily drills



PRINCE WILLIAM'S FIRST PONY

baby boy was the grandson of the ruler of Germany. Later you would have known he was a prince had you heard his name—William Frederick Francis Joseph Christian Olaf. To save a lot of time, however, people usually speak of him as Prince William or Wilhelm.

When the royal prince has been able to come out from this white palace, which stands by a pretty lake, and play about the grounds. You see him in the picture

and military exercises and was taught horsemanship. At 19 years he was made lieutenant. Then it was his privilege to walk beside the stalwart grenadiers of the guard. I think you must have liked him, the strictest discipline, like any other young army officer.

William now has a little brother, named Prince Louis Ferdinand, but he is probably too busy to spend much time with the baby.

1/2 THE TIME

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Sunday School Lesson

CONDUCTED BY REV. T. D. JONES

January 31st, 1909.

Correspondence is invited upon any lesson, or points of difficulty. Address to Sunday School, Pioneer Office, Didsbury.

Golden text—Acts 4:31, "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and they spoke the word of God with boldness."

Lesson 1—Acts 4:1-31, "Peter and John face the powers and receive judgment."

In teaching this lesson show that Peter and John were ordinary Christian fishermen standing by what they believed to be the truth. Make the story real to yourself first and then make it real to your scholars.

Verses 1-7 tell of the arrest and trial of Peter and John. Of what were they guilty? Did the Sadducees believe in the resurrection of the dead? The deacons had been teaching "Jesus." He had transformed their lives and they wanted others to share their joy. But the priests and chiefs of the people objected to them having freedom of speech and arrested them. (It is only in modern times that men have been given freedom to speak publicly upon moral subjects.) Yet they were not able to arrest the good ones, see verse 4. Then the Sanhedrin, or the rulers, the elders and the scribes, gathered together and proceeded with the trial.

Verses 8-12 record the defense offered. For what are we tried? demands Peter. Are we tried for doing good to a poor man? He who hath done this good work is the one whom ye crucified. Thus they are accused of judgment upon their judges. When came Peter's courage? He spoke up so courageous by the same means today?

Verses 13-24, the Sanhedrin passes judgment. They were greatly perplexed at the boldness of the two men. Indeed, then. That two unknown disciples should speak so strongly made them think, "and they took knowledge of them that they had seen with Jesus." Then also they were baffled by the presence of the man that was healed, (verse 14). What judgment did they pass on Peter and John? What was their intention at first to pass a severe penalty? Did the threats silence their apostles? (verse 20). The whole trial turned in favor of the apostles, for though they declared that they could not help speaking of Jesus, they were dismissed. Note the boldness of public favor as evidenced in the treatment of Christ and his servants. Only a few days previously the judges could have commanded Peter and John to be killed, but now the people have changed their minds. Is public opinion as fickle to day as it was then? Give some instances.

Verses 25-31, God is called upon to pass judgment. Man often makes errors when passing judgment. Why? Is prejudice a reason? Should we allow traditional ideas to influence us when we are passing judgment upon new thought? The Sadducees did, and many people are doing the same today. Somehow most people are prejudiced against anything new. It is the way of ideas. Ought this to be so? What judgment did God pass on the teaching and work of the apostles? Can anything withstand men who preach the word of God with boldness? What is the word of God? The majority will actually answer that it is the word of God. It is, but it is not the word of God referred to by the apostles. The Bible was not then a book in the same sense that it is a book today. Indeed not one of the books of the new testament had been written when the incident occurred in the lesson took place. The word of God then is that truth in our hearts we believe to be of God. To the apostles the word of God was the truth of Jesus, the fact of Jesus. In their teaching they laid great emphasis on the fact of Jesus. This revelation in Jesus was the word of God. Thus in John's Gospel—"The word was made flesh and dwelt among us." Christ is the word of God.

The Edmonton Board of Trade sent several of its members to the Government to press the claim for railways of the unopened districts north and Northwest.

Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Didsbury, 1908

RECEIPTS	
Balance on hand, 1907.....	350.55
Town taxes collected 1908.....	3611.75
School taxes collected, 1908.....	6750.10
Arrears.....	323.63
Licenses.....	485.00
Rent.....	2.00
Poll tax.....	76.00
Dog tax.....	86.00
Sale of plow.....	4.00
Borrowed from Bank.....	2624.75
	16723.78

EXPENDITURES	
Clerk.....	311.65
Solicitor.....	100.00
Police.....	204.00
Auditor.....	15.00
Health Officer.....	100.00
Caretaker.....	9.00
Scavenger.....	366.15
Printing, advertising, and Stationery.....	154.50
Rents.....	99.45
Delinquent.....	68.00
Bank interest.....	230.05
Paid Bank on loans.....	3600.00
Moans.....	552.87
Labor.....	327.65
Land for streets	75.00
Laboratory grant.....	350.00
Agricultural Society.....	200.00
Board of Trade.....	390.00
Relate on Taxes	613.00
Paid Treasurer School Board.....	6527.58
Furniture and bedding for Council Chamber.....	64.90
Treasurer's bond.....	12.50
In Grader and Plow.....	190.45
Street Lamp.....	59.80
Payment on Park Survey.....	509.05
Surveying.....	291.30
Sanitary expenditures.....	238.92
	15560.82
Cash on hand.....	1162.96

ASSETS AT DEC. 31st, 1908	
Street Lamp.....	59.80
1908 1908.....	1000.00
Park site.....	1216.49
Grader.....	290.00
Plow and scrapers.....	35.00
1908 1908.....	50.00
1908, wheelbarrow, etc.....	25.00
Furniture and bedding in Council chamber.....	70.00
Hand instruments.....	450.00
	3105.29

LIABILITIES DEC. 31st, 1908	
Owing Bank.....	1550.00
Owing school '08	
rat: \$297.42	
less over pay, 1907, \$313.00.....	2659.42
Due on park site	
Dec, 1909.....	438.83
Delinquent indebtedness yearly up to and including 1913.....	250.00
	4898.25

DEC. 31st, 1908	
PAYABLE BEFORE END OF YEAR	
Balance of loan due bank.....	1550.00
Isocline bills about.....	495.00
Due school.....	2659.42

RECEIVABLE BEFORE END OF YEAR	
Kates, 1908.....	1470.05
Arrears.....	323.60
Cash on hand.....	1162.95

N. E. Ely, Town Clerk

A deputation from the Local Reform League asked the Government for a Local Option Law on a majority vote; the hotel men then sent a delegation to ask that no Local Option Law should be given and that the closing hour for bars should again be put at 11 o'clock.

L.I.D. 16-B-5

The Councillors for Local Improvement District No. 16-B-5 are as follows:—Division 1, Wm. J. McIntyre, Didsbury P.O.; Division 2, M. Otterbine, Elkton P.O.; Division 3, Joe Teynor, Elkton P.O.; Division 4, Thos. McRae, Bergen P.O.; Division 5, M. McArthur, Westward Ho P.O.; Division 6, Wm. G. Gilmore, Hartman P.O.; Walter B. Smith, Sec. Treas. Didsbury.

The Councillors of L.I.D. No. 16-B-5 met at Zella Schoolhouse on January 23rd, 1909. All Councillors present.

Moved by M. McArthur, seconded by W. G. Gilmore, that M. Otterbine be chairman for L.I.D. No. 16-B-5 for the year 1909.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. Gilmore, seconded by T. McRae, that the Sec. Treas.'s salary be the same as last year.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. McIntyre, seconded by Wm. Gilmore that Walter B. Smith be reappointed Sec. Treas. at a salary of \$105 for 1909.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. McIntyre, seconded by Wm. G. Gilmore, that no individual Councillor may run his township into debt over and above current tax for 1909, without the permission of the Council Board.—Carried.

Moved by Thomas McRae, seconded by M. McArthur that the Sec. Treas. of L.I.D. 16-B-5 buy the necessary stationary for the use of the district.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. Gilmore seconded by W. McIntyre, that the taxes for the year 1909 are to be at the rate of 5 cents per acre for L.I.D. No. 16-B-5 and that the taxes be strictly cash.—Carried.

Moved by W. McIntyre, seconded by J. A. Teynor, that the councillors of Local Improvement District No. 16-B-5 receive the sum of \$2.00 day and 10 cents per mile each way for council meetings and also \$52.00 and mileage each way for committee work.—Carried.

Moved by W. McIntyre seconded by Thomas McRae, that the councillors of L.I.D. 16-B-5 to look after their own work and appoint the overseer and that the rate of pay per day be \$4.00 for man and team and \$2.00 for single man and \$2.25 for overseer, of 10 hours from 7 o'clock in the morning till 6 o'clock at night.—Carried.

Moved by J. A. Teynor, seconded by M. McArthur, that the Council write the Dept. of Public Works in regard to getting engineer to locate certain roadways off road allowance, and that each Councillor notify Sec. Treas. where he wants changes made.—Carried.

Moved by W. G. Gilmore, seconded by J. A. Teynor, that the Department of Public Works open up road allowance between Secs. 15 and 16 Township 32, Range 2 west of the 5th, surveyed in 1907.—Carried.

Moved by Thomas McRae, seconded by Wm. McIntyre, that the Sec. Treas. apply to the Department of Interior for a permit to cut 12000 feet of plank for use of Local Improvement District No. 16-B-5.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. McIntyre, seconded by Thomas McRae, that J. H. Bellamy was overseer on work performed to cover taxes against the S. E. 34 31-33 for the year 1907-08 and certifies same as correct.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. G. Gilmore, seconded by Wm. McIntyre, that the returning officers of Local Improvement District No. 16-B-5 receive the following salaries: W. D. O'Donnell, Division 1, \$5.00; J. H. Hoesgood, Division 2, \$10.00; J. Johansson, Division 3, \$10.00; John Jensen, Division 4, \$10.00; Edmont Whetcroft, Division 5, \$10.00; J. Bolton, Division 6, \$5.00.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. McIntyre, seconded by M. McArthur, that the following places be paid the sum of \$2.00. Division 1, W. D. O'Donnell \$2.00; Division 2, Rugby School, \$2.00; Division 3, F. Murdoch \$2.00; Division 5, Ardmore School, \$2.00; Division 6, Hartman School, \$2.00; for use of building for nomination and election purposes.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. G. Gilmore seconded by Thomas McRae, that the Sec. Treas. be paid fifty dollars, the balance of 1908 salary.—Carried.

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